Tuesday, May 2, 1961

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate committee approved Inter-American Program appropriations bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held Wednesday, May 3, at 11 a.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—INTER-AMERICAN PROGRAM

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H.R. 6518, making appropriations for the Inter-American Social and Economic Cooperation Program.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for the Department of Agriculture, with testimony on funds for the Agricultural Research Service, from Frank J. Welch, Assistant Secretary, Dr. Byron T. Shaw, Administrator, M. R. Clarkson, Associate Administrator, and other officials of the Agricultural Research Service, and Charles L. Grant, Office of Budget and Finance; and on funds for the Farmer Cooperative Service, with testimony from Mr. Welch, and Dr. Joseph G. Knapp, Administrator, Farmer Cooperative Service.

Hearings continue tomorrow, with testimony on funds for other Agriculture Department agencies.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for Defense, with testimony on funds for personnel of the Naval Establishment from Vice Adm. William R. Smedberg III, Chief of Naval Personnel; Maj. Gen. Alpha F. Bowser, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, U.S. Marine Corps; and Brig. Gen. William T. Fairbourn, Director, Marine Corps Reserve.

Hearings continue tomorrow on funds for Air Force personnel.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H.R. 6345, fiscal 1962 appropriations for the Department of the Interior, and related agencies, with testimony from Senator Burdick, Representative Berry, Ivan A. Nestingen, Under Secretary of HEW, and Dr. James R. Shaw, Chief, Division of Indian Health, HEW, all of whom directed their remarks to Indian health matters; D. Otis Beasley, Administra-

tive Assistant Secretary, and Charles S. Stoddard, technical review staff, both of the Department of the Interior, on funds for the Office of the Secretary; former Senator Arthur V. Watkins, Chief Commissioner, Indian Claims Commission, in behalf of funds for his department; and Leonard Carmichael, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution, who testified in behalf of funds for his department.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for public works, having as its witnesses Maj. Gen. William F. Cassidy, Director of Civil Works, Office of the Chief of Engineers, and Brig. Gen. R. G. MacDonnell, division engineer, South Pacific division, both of the Army.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Commerce: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nomination of Ernest R. Feidler for promotion to rear admiral in the U.S. Coast Guard; 226 other nominations in the Coast Guard; without amendment H.R. 2457, to amend the Merchant Marine Act in order to clarify the construction subsidy provisions with respect to reconstruction, reconditioning, and conversion; and S. 1222, relating to the documentation and inspection of U.S. vessels; and with amendment S. 1289, to eliminate the oath requirement with respect to certain export manifests; S. 684, to amend the Communications Act with respect to the painting and illumination of radio towers; S. 1183, providing for the reimbursement of certain vessel construction expenses; S. 1185, to amend the Merchant Marine Act so as to authorize the expenditure from certain capital reserve funds of certain amounts for research, development, and design expenses; and S.J. Res. 21, authorizing sale of 10 Liberty-type merchant vessels to U.S. citizens for conversion into barges.

The committee referred to its Subcommittee on Communications for study and analysis the proposed reorganization plan of the FCC.

Prior to this action, in open session, hearings were held on the nominations of Mr. Feidler, and Joseph C. Swidler, of Tennessee, and Howard Morgan, of Oregon, both to be members of the FPC, where the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

Hearings were also held on S. 1189, authorizing the Coast Guard to carry on certain oceanographic research, with testimony from Vice Adm. James A. Hirshfeld, Assistant Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of John S. Everton, of New York, to be Ambassador to Burma, and Fulton Freeman, of California, to be Ambassador to Colombia; and the International Convention on the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil (Ex. C, 86th Cong., 2d sess.).

Prior to this action, in open session, testimony was received from Messrs. Everton and Freeman in behalf

of their own nominations.

The committee also held hearings on S.J. Res. 75, providing for acceptance by the U.S. of the Agreement for Establishment of the Caribbean Organization, receiving testimony from Resident Commissioner A. Fernós-Isern, of Puerto Rico, and John W. Hanes, Jr., U.S. Chairman, Caribbean Commission, who was accompanied by Abram Chayes, Legal Adviser, Department of State; and on the International Telecommunications Convention (Ex. J, 86th Cong., 2d sess.), and Radio Regulations (Ex. I, 86th Cong., 2d sess.), receiving testimony from Edwin M. Martin, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; T. A. M. Craven and Rosel H. Hyde, FCC Commissioners; John Stephen, Air Transport Association; Donald C. Beelar, a D.C. attorney; R. N. White, Trans-World Airlines; and Clarence Rice, Avionic Products, Bendix Radio Corp.

CUBA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session to receive a briefing on the situation in Cuba from Allen W. Dulles, Director, Central Intelligence Agency.

INVESTIGATIONS—MISSILE CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Government Operations: The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings to inquire into strikes, work stoppages, excessive costs, and inefficiencies in the missile construction industry, with testimony from Robert E. Dunne, of the subcommittee's staff, and numerous public witnesses representing various trades and unions engaged in the missile construction industry.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Constitutional Rights Subcommittee resumed its hearings on constitutional rights of the mentally ill in criminal cases, having as its witnesses Lawrence Speiser, American Civil Liberties Union; Oliver Gasch, formerly U.S. attorney for the District of Columbia; Dr. Winfred Overholser, Superintendent, St. Elizabeths Hospital; Abe Krash, a D.C. attorney; and Leon Salzman, M.D., a psychiatrist, Georgetown University Medical School.

Hearings continue on Thursday, May 4.

IDENTICAL BIDDING IN ELECTRICAL INDUSTRY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued its inquiry into identical bidding in the electrical manufacturing industry, having as its witness William S. Ginn, former vice president and general manager of the General Electric Co.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Education, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 1021, to provide Federal assistance for public school facilities.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 6744-6766; 7 private bills, H.R. 6767-6773; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 399, H. Con. Res. 231 and 232, and H. Res. 273 and 274, were introduced.

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 3935, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, to provide coverage for employees of large enterprises engaged in retail trade or service and of other employers engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce, and to increase the minimum wage under the act to \$1.25 an hour (H. Rept. 327);

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Committee (H. Rept. 328); and

H. Res. 274, open rule providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H.R. 6441, to provide for a more effective program of water pollution control (H. Rept. 329).

Private Calendar: The following bills were passed on the call of the Private Calendar:

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H.R. 1293, 1449, 1710, 1718, 1860, 2107, 2116, 2141, 2351, 2645, 2671,

2674, 2991, 3146, 3371, 3489, 3722, 3846, 4023, 4027, 4201, 4282, 5500, and 5647.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H.R. 1360, 1425, 1441,

1717, 2165, 2346, 3376, and 4482.

Adopted and thus concluded action on H. Res. 112. Passed over without prejudice: H.R. 1414, 1623, 1887, 2686, 3843, and 4872.

Bills Referred: One Senate-passed bill and four Senate joint resolutions were referred to appropriate committees.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:46 p.m.

Committee Meetings

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on H.R. 6400, to improve and protect farm prices and farm income, to increase farmer participation in the development of farm programs, to adjust supplies of agricultural commodities in line with the requirement therefor, to improve distribution and expand exports of agricultural commodities, to liberalize and extend farm credit services, to protect the interest of consumers. Heard public witnesses. Hearings continue Wednesday, May 3.

PEANUTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Oilseeds and Rice heard an Agriculture Department witness on H.R. 1021, to extend for 2 years the definition of "peanuts" which is now in effect under the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

AIRCRAFT-MISSILES-VESSELS

Committee on Armed Services: Met in executive session on H.R. 6151, to authorize appropriations for aircraft, missiles, and vessels. No announcements were made, and the committee will continue on this subject, in executive session, Wednesday, May 3.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing continued hearings on H.R. 6028, to assist in the provision of housing for moderate and low income families, to promote orderly urban development, to extend and amend laws relating to housing, urban renewal, and community facilities. Heard testimony from representatives of the National Association of Home Builders, and the American Hospital Association. Hearings continue Wednesday, May 3.

D.C. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Committee on District of Columbia: Subcommittee No. 4 held a hearing on H.R. 5678, to amend the D.C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act to prohibit certain advertising with respect to price. Heard testimony from D.C. officials and public witnesses.

AID TO HIGHER EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed executive consideration of H.R. 6483, to authorize assistance to public and other nonprofit institutions of higher education. No announcements were made, and the committee will continue on this subject Wednesday, May 3, in executive session.

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on National Labor Relations Board met in executive session on pending business. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

LATIN AMERICA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on State Department Organization and Foreign Operations met in executive session, and heard departmental officials regarding personnel policies in Latin America.

NATIONAL PARKS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on National Parks recommended two national park concession contracts to the full committee.

The subcommittee also held a hearing on H.R. 5548, to acquire approximately 9 acres of land for addition to Cumberland Gap Historical Park. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Hearings continue Wednesday, May 3.

HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held a hearing on H.R. 4998, to assist in expanding and improving community facilities and services for the health care of aged and other persons. Heard Boisfeuillet Jones, special assistant to the Secretary, read a statement in behalf of Abraham A. Ribicoff, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare. Hearings continue Wednesday, May 3.

JUDGES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H.R. 5255, to clarify the status of circuit and district judges retired from regular active service.

STEAMSHIP CONFERENCES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Special Subcommittee on Steamship Conferences met in executive session and ordered a clean bill introduced in the House, for reporting to the full committee, in lieu of H.R. 4299, to provide for the operation of steamship conferences.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Resumed hearings on H.R. 6418, to adjust postal rates, and heard

testimony from representatives of the religious press. Hearings continue Wednesday, May 3.

WATER POLLUTION

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, with 2 hours' debate, on H.R. 6441, to provide for a more effective program of water pollution control.

Witnesses testifying on granting of a rule were Representatives Blatnik, Cramer, Scherer, and Smith of

Mississippi.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC AUTHORIZATIONS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Legislation began hearings on H.R. 6744, authorizing funds for the Atomic Energy Commission for fiscal year 1962, receiving testimony from Chairman Glenn T. Seaborg, General Manager A. R. Luedecke, and other officials of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT PRICE STATISTICS

Joint Economic Committee: The Subcommittee on Economic Statistics continued its hearings on a report on price statistics of the Federal Government, receiving testimony from B. R. Stauber, Statistical Reporting Service, Department of Agriculture; Ewan Clague, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor; and George Jaszi, Office of Business Economics, Department of Commerce.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUDGESHIPS

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 912, providing for the appointment of additional circuit and district judges.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared minimum wage increase bill for President. House passed water-pollution control bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7029-7075

Bills Introduced: 46 bills and 9 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1759–1804; S.J. Res. 78–79; S. Con. Res. 22–23; and S. Res. 133–137.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 5000, proposed military construction authorizations for fiscal 1962, with amendment (S. Rept. 200);

H.R. 6518, making appropriations for the Inter-American Social and Economic Cooperation Program for the balance of fiscal year 1961 (S. Rept. 201);

S. Con. Res. 23, to print 2,000 additional copies of part 1 of the hearings on migratory labor held during 1st session of 86th Congress by Subcommittee on Migratory Labor of Committee on Labor and Public Welfare (no written report)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration.

Pages 7033-7034

Bills Referred: 53 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees.

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Bill Rereferred: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 859, relating to repeal of "mustering out payments" section of title

38, U.S. Code, and the bill was then referred to Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

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President's Message—Reorganization (CAB): Message was received from President transmitting Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1961 (Civil Aeronautics Board)—referred to Committee on Government Operations.

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Von Karman Recognition: S. Res. 133, expressing gratitude on the occasion of his 80th birthday to Dr. Theodore Von Karman for his contributions to aeronautical and space science.

Pages 7049-7051

China: S. Con. Res. 22, expressing sense of Congress in opposition to recognition of Communist China and in favor of Republic of China, was submitted jointly today by majority and minority leaders and referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Accordingly, Senator Cotton obtained consent for indefinite postponement of S. Res. 67 on the same subject, which had been ordered to lie on table on January 26.

Sundry Measures Passed: Senate took up and passed 11 sundry measures as follows:

Legion of Valor: S. 847, to change the name of the Army and Navy Legion of Valor of the U.S.A., Inc., to